



MINUTES

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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

...CAROLINE...

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH,

LONOKE CO., ARK.,

October 11, 12 and 13, 1902.

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Moderator, W. P. FLETCHER, Lonoke.

Clerk, M. E. MURBRIDE, Walker

Treasurer, J. T. WALKER, Walker.

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Next Session to be held with Lonoke Baptist Church,  
Lonoke County, Arkansas, commencing on  
Saturday before the Second Sunday  
in October, 1903.

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## PROCEEDINGS.

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Association met at 10 o'clock a. m.; called to order by Bro. W. P. Fletcher, Moderator. Prayer by Bro. A. Y. Morris. Welcome address by Pastor, J. M. Davis; responded to by Bro. W. P. Fletcher.

Devotional service conducted by Elder R. F. Routh. Introductory sermon by Elder J. G. Doyle. Text, 1st Cor. 3:9. Prayer by Elders J. P. Eagle, M. T. Webb. Recess to 1:30 p. m.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Elder T. W. O'Kelly. Association called to order by Moderator.

Bro's. J. J. Doyne and W. J. Beard were appointed reading clerks.

Letters were called for and messengers responded as follows:

ANTIOCH—G. R. Craven, Sister Jane Griffin.

AUSTIN—Eld. J. M. Davis, Bro. and Sister N. D. Sanders.

AUSTIN STATION—T. J. Young, M. G. Apple, J. C. Richards.

AUGUSTA—Sister F. Westbrooks.

BAKER'S BAYOU—W. E. Dempsy, S. B. Woods.

BALD KNOB—By letter.

BEEBE—Eld. M. T. Webb.

BAYOU METO—Nat Gullick, Jones Parker, Wm. Hutson.

BAUGH'S CHAPEL—H. A. Reevely.

CABOT—W. M. Patton, J. W. Loman, R. A. Stovall.

CARLISLE—Eld. H. Y. Morris, J. T. Bogard, A. H. Bacus.

CENTER HILL—J. N. Brumlow, J. D. Bolton, D. F. Sowell.

DAVIS CHAPEL—C. M. Granbery, T. J. Rooker.

ENGLAND—Eld. A. C. Miller, J. Swain.

EL PASO—Allen White, R. A. Ramsey, O. S. Russ, R. N. Foulks.

FIRST ARGENTA—Elder B. N. Brook, Eld. J. G. Doyle, J. McCuin.

FRIENDSHIP—J. O. Granbery, J. T. Lucus, Sister J. O. Granbery.

GREENWOOD—M. C. Bennett, W. S. Phillips, T. F. Ragsdale.

GRIFFITHVILLE—B. S. Whitsitt, Eld. R. H. White, W. T. Davis.

HICKORY PLAINS—J. W. Caskey, W. M. Hunter, J. M. Rooker.

HIGGINSON—T. H. Beard.

IMMANUEL—Bro. and Sister George Davis, J. F. Hammet, Sister J. F. Hammet, W. E. Berthe, Sister W. E. Berthe, Elders W. S. Roney, F. P. Davis.

JUDSONIA—R. J. Winn.

JACKSONVILLE—Eld. L. R. Corder, W. E. Corder, W. A. Garrett.

KENSETT—Eld. W. A. Crutchfield, Sisters Ella Norton and Georgia Merritt.

KELLOG VALLEY—G. E. Overton, Sisters Bertha and Eva Williford.

LIBERTY—J. T. Walker, Sister Effie Walker, M. E. McBride.

LONCKE—W. P. Fletcher, Elder R. P. Bain, W. J. Beard, Sisters W. P. Fletcher and W. J. Beard.

MCRÆ—J. D. Birdsong, Wilburn Hubbard.

MT. PLEASANT—M. A. Melton, H. H. Melton.

MT. ZION—J. F. Walker, A. M. Kirkpatrick, C. H. Linder.

NEW HOPE—B. R. Giddons, Bro. and Sister T. P. Corpier.

OAK GROVE—C. G. Reed, J. H. Duffy, C. C. Pearson.

PECAN GROVE—H. F. Poe, L. M. Cobb, Geo. Scruggs.

PLEASANT HILL—J. M. Robinson, O. C. Carroll, N. Justus.

ROSE BUD—G. W. Norman.

ROYAL HILL—Eld. I. R. B. Davis, G. N. D. Noland, Sister Bettie Noland.



SEARCY—Elder B. M. Bogard, J. J. Crow, R. R. Lewis, Sisters E. J. McCauley and Lizzie Maxville.

SECOND LITTLE ROCK—Elds. T. W. O'Kelly, Jas. P. Eagle, A. J. Barton and R. P. Lucardo, J. J. Doyne, W. E. Atkinson, C. E. Witt, Joe Bilheimer, W. H. Eagle, Sisters J. J. Doyne and C. E. Witt.

SHARON—E. N. Davis.

SHILOH—S. P. McKown, G. R. Tidwell.

TOMBERLIN—C. B. West.

WALNUT PLAINS—Geo. Mitchell, P. S. Deal, Sister Paralee Mitchell.

WATTENSAS—Eld. G. W. Thomason, J. H. Howard, T. A. Owens.

WEST POINT—Sisters Lelia Hardy, Mary Pryor.

ZION HILL—A. J. Boyd, John Abbott, Noble Pip-pin.

Election of officers being next in order, a motion carried to suspend the regular method of voting, and the clerk was ordered to cast the unanimous vote of the Association for Bro. W. P. Fletcher, present moderator, for Moderator. Rules were suspended, and Bro. J. J. Doyne was ordered to cast vote of the Association for M. E. McBride, who was again elected clerk.

On motion, clerk was ordered to cast vote of the entire Association for Brother J. T. Walker for Treasurer, and he was re-elected for the next associational year. A motion prevailed that rule No. 5 be suspended. A motion to limit discussion on all questions, to 30 minutes, was tabled subject to call.

A motion carried that reports on associational mission be heard tonight.

Adjourned 'till 7:30 p. m. Prayer by Elder A. J. Barton.

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### NIGHT SESSION.

Prayer by Elder B. M. Bogard. Association called to order by Moderator.

Petitionary letters were called for and response made as follows:

LAND-MARK—J. O. Watson, T. H. Stegall, Sister T. H. Stegall.

SURROUNDED HILL—T. B. Cain, W. F. Mosely.

KEO—A. Meadows, C. Smith.

BELCHER—Elder J. W. Clark.

PLUM BAYOU—J. L. Venable, Sister Pennie Venable, which were all received into fellowship with the Association.

Call was made for corresponding messengers, none present. Report of Associational Mission Board read as follows:

### **Report of Mission Board.**

Pursuant to the direction of the Association at Session of 1901 held with Des Arc Baptist Church Oct. 12, 13 and 14, 1901 (see page 8 of Minute) we have endeavored to carry out the directions.

On Oct. 18, 1901, the Board elected Bro. M. T. Webb for all his time, but to the regret of the Board Bro. Webb on account of other engagements, was forced to decline to accept.

On the 5th of Dec. 1901, we elected Bro. R. E. Sutton of Arkadelphia and required him to move within the bounds of the Association but he was not so situated that he could do so before June, 1902. We therefore withdrew our proposition to Bro. Sutton.

On Dec. 13, 1901, we elected Bro. J. G. Doyle of Argenta at a salary of \$50 per month for all his time which proposition was accepted and he entered upon the work. The Board proposed co-operation with the American Baptist Publication Society in doing the Mission work in Caroline Association, which proposition they accepted, agreeing to pay \$50 per month and contribute \$300 worth of books to the work. The Board paid Bro. J. G. Doyle the \$50 per month paid by the American Baptist Publication Society and also all funds arising from the sale of the \$300 worth of books contributed by the American Baptist Publication Society. All books sold and all given away in destitute places will be fully accounted for in Bro. Doyle's report. Bro. Doyle was directed to occupy the months of January, February and March in locating the field and preaching to the churches in the Association where necessary. The balance of his time to be spent upon the field doing general mission work where the most



good could be done. The results from his labors will be fully set forth in his report.

Bro. T. F. Landreth was employed on the 24th day of March, 1902, at a salary of \$40 per month. He entered immediately upon his labors, doing general mission work in places of destitution. The results from his labors will be more fully set forth in his report.

We employed Bro. R. M. Best to preach on Surrounded Hill at which place he organized Surrounded Hill Baptist Church with 20 members. We agreed to pay Bro. Best a salary of \$40 and what he could raise on the field for one fourth of his time. Result of his labors will be seen from his report. Bro. R. P. Bain will file report of mission work done by him in the Association.

### Financial Statement.

To Am't received from American Baptist Pub. Society in books and money	\$ 800 00	
By amount paid to Bro. J. G. Doyle		\$ 800 00
To Bal. in hands of Board last session	46 81	
To am't rec'd from Treas. of Board	87 64	
" " " " Lonoke Ladies Aid	20 00	
" " " " Caney Creek church	10 00	
" " " " Judsonia church	23 00	
" " " " T. F. Landreth collected on field	11 45	
" " " " Cabot church	10 00	
" " " " Searcy church	28 65	
" " " " Lonoke church	25 00	
" " " " Second Church Little Rock	40 00	
" " " " Mt. Zion church	3 30	
" " " " Liberty church	5 00	
" " " " Bayou Meto church	10 00	
" " " " Walnut Plains church	5 00	
By " paid Finance Com. of Ass'n. last session		46 81
" " " Eld. W. A. Crutchfield last yrs. work		87 64
" " " for postage and stationery		3 55
" " " Eld. T. F. Landreth		120 45
" " " Eld. R. M. Best		28 70
To " collected by R. M. Best on field	28 70	
By balance		67 40
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	\$1154 55	\$1154 55

To balance in hands of Board

\$67 40

Due Bro. T. F. Landreth for seven months at \$40 per month \$280. We have paid him \$120.45 and are still due him \$159.55.

We are due Bro. R. M. Best \$40 which is unpaid.

It will be seen that we are due on Mission Work \$199.55 and have in hand \$67.40 which leaves a balance of \$132.15 to be raised by the Association to pay our current mission expenses for the past associational year. It will be further seen that by the assistance

of the American Baptist Publication Society we have been enabled to expend the total amount of \$1354.10 which is a greater amount of money than was ever expended in the Association before for mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. BRADFORD, Chairman.

R. P. BAIN, Sec'y.

W. P. FLETCHER, Treas.

Missionary Doyle made the following report:

Report of J. G. Doyle Missionary of Caroline Association for associational year A. D., 1902: The greater part of Jan. and part of Feb., I spent in looking over the field, locating the churches in the Association and trying to ascertain the points of greatest destitution. At Austin Station, by the direction of your Board, I held regular monthly services for seven months. During this time the church completed an elegant church house, built up a fine Sunday School and the church was induced to call a pastor. This church has had a prosperous year; has added to its membership by baptism 8, by letter 7—15 members. At Keo, on the St. Louis & S. W. R. R., a beautiful little town in one of the richest sections of our state, a town of one or two hundred people with large milling interests and other growing industries, by direction of Board I have kept up regular monthly meetings since February. Here we have organized a church of 7 members and received by baptism 6, by letter 1, restored 3. Bro. W. A. Crutchfield helped in the organization and a meeting. Have equipped and kept up a fine Sunday School. They have a good house which with the lot is worth about \$500 or \$600. They now have arrangements on foot for calling a pastor and have before them the prospects of a most flattering prosperity. At Chamber's School House, in Lonoke Co., I have also kept up regular monthly services since January. The church at Old Brownsville having gone down, it was thought best to move the organization to this place. Here seven have been received by letter, one by restoration and one for baptism. We have maintained a fine Sunday School; the church has now called a pastor for the ensuing year and the prospects are hopeful for a fine work. Besides these I have also visited, preached for, held meetings and helped in meetings at the following places: Union Valley, Bayou Meto,



Tomberlin and Pecan Grove. This last church had been without a pastor for nearly or quite a year. I made them two or three monthly visits. They had no preaching, no Sunday School, no prayer meeting and was in a cold and lifeless condition. I did my very best to stir this church and induce these good brethren to get up and go to work. I organized a Sunday School, insisted on a prayer meeting and encouraged them to call a pastor. They soon after called a pastor and with much pleasure I learn they are doing a fine work. The following is my itemized report: Days of service 228, miles traveled 4588, sermons preached 192, addresses made 22, prayer meetings held 11, persons baptized 26, Sunday Schools organized 4, collected on the field \$34.00, railroad fares and other expenses on field \$30.59. My salary has been paid by the American Baptist Publication Society and I have a balance of \$3.41 for Associational Missions.

P. S. All the baptisms reported were not baptized by me personally but were all at mission points where I preached or in meetings I held or helped to hold.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. DOYLE.

Missionary Landreth not being present the following report of his work was submitted by Elder R. P. Bain:

#### Report of Eld. T. F. Landreth.

Days of service	170
Miles traveled	1466
Sermons preached	102
S. S. addressed	4
S. S. organized	3
Homes visited	112
Family prayers	95
Prayer Meetings held	21
Churches organized	1
Membership	10
Received by Baptism	26
Received by letter	3
Received by restoration	9
Conversions witnessed	50
Received into fellowship	44
Standing approved for Baptism	6
Collected on field	\$11.45

Bro. Bain also read the following report of Missionary Best's work:



### Report of Missionary R. M. Best.

Beginning with the associational year giving 1-4 time

Miles traveled	448
Sermons	38
Visits	44
Churches organized	1
Membership	20
Baptized	2
Approved for Baptism	2
Sunday Schools organized	1
Enrollment	50
Collected on field	\$28.70

Respectfully submitted,  
R. M. BEST.

Bro. Bain made report of Missionary work done by himself as follows:

### Report of Mission Work Done by R. P. Bain.

Miles traveled	300
Sermons	35
Professions of faith	13
Baptized	12
Received by letter	3
Restored	1
By voucher	3
Total	19
Collected on field	\$10.00

Committee on Associational Missions submitted the following report:

We your committee having noted the recommendation of your committee appointed one year ago, recommend that the same be adopted with the following addition:

That the Pastors of the churches and the Missionaries sent out by the Association Board, keep the matter of collection for associational work before the churches and that a time be fixed by the churches for taking such collections.

ALLEN WHITE, J. J. CROW,  
R. P. BAIN, L. M. COBB,  
J. J. DOYNE.

The following cash collection was taken for Associational Missions:

W P Fletcher	\$ 5 00	Jas P Eagle	\$ 5 00
J T Walker	1 00	L M Cobb	1 00
M T Webb	1 00	W A Crutchfield	1 00
J L Cole	1 00	R P Bain	50

T P Cain	\$ 50	B M Bogard	\$ 1 00
M E McBride	1 00	Mrs Ella Fletcher	2 00
J J Crow	1 00	R P Lucardo	1 00
Wm Patten	1 00	J Swain	1 00
J M Robinson	50	J M Moran	50
W J Beard	1 00	Cash	05
Lizzie Maxville	50	R R Lewis	50
H F Poe	50	T Stegall	50
T A Owen	1 00	J T Bogard	50
— Pfeifer	25	J T Rooker	50
Effie Walker	50	Oliver Wells	50
Leila Hardy	50	Mary Pryor	50
H A Reevely	25		

Total	\$32 55
(Some one credited with \$1 00 not collected)	1 00

Amount collected	\$31 55
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The churches made pledges as follows to be paid during next associational year:

Austin	\$ 5 00	Lonoke	\$ 25 00
Austin Station	5 00	McRae, col	
Augusta, col		Mt. Pleasant, col	
Bakers Bayou	5 00	Mt. Zion, col	
Bayou Meto, col		New Hope, col	
Baugh's Chapel	1 00	Oak Grove	10 00
Cabot	10 00	Pleasant Hill	10 00
Caney Creek	5 00	Pecan Grove	5 00
Carlisle, col		Rose Bud, col	
Center Hill	5 00	Searcy	30 00
Davis Chapel	2 00	Second Little Rock	50 00
El Paso, col		Shiloh, col	
First Argenta	5 00	Tomberlin (C. Bevills)	1 00
Friendship, col		West Point	5 00
Greenwood, col		Wattensas	5 00
Griffithville, col		Zion Hill, col	
Hickory Plains, col		Surrounded Hill	5 00
Immanuel, col		Plum Bayou, col	
Judsonia	10 00	Land-Mark, col	
Kensett, col		Belcher, col	
Liberty	5 00	Higginson, col	

Total—\$204.00 and collections promised to be taken.

A motion carried to adopt the several reports. Committee on Divine Service made the following report:

Report of Committee on Divine Service: Sunday School Mass Meeting conducted by J. J. Doyne, 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Eld. J. P. Eagle. Preaching at 11 o'clock in the School House by Bro. R. P. Bain. Preaching at 3 p. m. by Bro. T. W. O'Kelley. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. by Eld. Ben M. Bogard in the Church. Preaching in the School House

at 7:30 by Bro. Roney. Preaching at Sylvania by Eld. A. J. Barton 11 a. m.

J. M. DAVIS, Chairman,  
C. C. PEARSON,

C. G. REED,  
J. H. DUFFEY.

Appointment of Committee on Sunday Schools announced as follows: J. G. Doyle, C. E. Witt, P. S. Deal, T. J. Young, J. W. Loman, Jones Parker.

Bro. J. D. Hill presented himself as corresponding messenger from Pine Bluff Association.

Motion carried to take collections at 11 o'clock services Sunday for Associational Missions.

Adjourned 'till 9:30 Sunday morning.

Prayer by Elder Frank White.

### SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

Prayer by Elder A. C. Miller.

Association called to order by Moderator.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools read, discussed and adopted as follows:

#### **Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.**

For many reasons your committee would urge the importance of Sunday School work. We mention one reason. We have long been praying that God would enable us to reach the unsaved. It seems that God has answered our prayers and, in the Sunday School, has put in the closest touch with the very persons for whom we have been praying.

It is a fact that more unconverted persons attend our Sunday Schools than any or all other religious services put together. We note with pleasure a growing interest in Sunday School work throughout the bounds of the Association, yet we are sorry to learn from the reading of the letters that there are still a number of churches that report no Sunday School.

Your committee would recommend that an earnest effort be made to organize and maintain a Sunday School in every church. We would recommend as Sunday School helps—First of all the Word of God, and then the Sunday School helps of the Convention



Series published at Nashville and of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Signed by the committee.

J. G. DOYLE, P. S. DEAL.

Moderator announced the appointment of committee on womans work as follows: Sisters J. J. Doyne, C. E. Witt, J. F. Hammett, W. E. Berthe, Ella Norton, Effie Walker, Oder Beard, Ella A. Fletcher, Leila Hardy, Mary Pryor, Florence Westbrook, Fannie Sanders. Prayer by Bro. W. S. Roney.

Missionary Sermon by Elder Jas. P. Eagle, Text, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto Salvation to them that believe." Rom. 1st-16.

Prayer by Bro. A. C. Miller. Collection \$16.47.  
Prayer by Bro. B. N. Brooks.

Elder R. P. Bain preached at School House, Text, Rom. 7-13. Collection \$7.57. Recess to 3 p. m.

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Prayer by Elder Frank White.

Sermon by Elder T. W. O'Kelly. Text, St. John, 19-30. Prayers led by Bros. A. J. Barton and J. P. Eagle. Sermon at School House by Bro. R. P. Lucardo. Text, "Our Father Who Art in Heaven."

Recess 'till 7-30 p. m.

### SUNDAY NIGHT.

Services opened by singing. Prayers by Bros. Doyle and Corder. Scripture reading Heb. 6 and prayer by Elder W. A. Crutchfield. Sermon by Elder B. M. Bogard. Text, Heb. 6-18. Prayer by Elder R. P. Bain. Moderator announced appointment of committees as follows:

State Missions—Elders Jas. P. Eagle, B. M. Bogard, W. A. Crutchfield, M. T. Webb, Bros. W. M. Patton, G. R. Tidwell.

Home Missions—Eld. A. J. Barton, J. M. Davis, C. M. Granbery, R. A. Ramsey, T. H. Stegall, A. Meadows, J. L. Venall.

Foreign Missions—Elder T. W. O'Kelly, W. M. Hunter, R. J. Winn, J. M. Robinson, H. F. Poe, G. W. Norman, A. J. Boyd.

Colleges and Schools—Elder W. S. Roney, W. E. Atkinson, Wm. Hutson, J. N. Brumlow, Elders I. R. B. Davis and G. W. Thomason.

Ministerial Education—Elders A. C. Miller, R. H. White, and J. O. Granbery, M. C. Bennett, J. F. Hammett, T. H. Beard, J. H. Hawood.

Temperance—Elder B. N. Brooks, Eld. L. R. Corder, G. E. Overton, J. D. Birdsong, J. F. Walker, M. A. Melton, E. N. Davis.

Obituaries—Elder J. P. Eagle, N. D. Sanders, G. R. Craven, M. G. Apple, Nat Gullie, T. J. Bogard, C. B. West.

Literature—Elder R. P. Bain, T. P. Corpier, T. A. Owen, Geo. Mitchell, S. B. McKown, Noble Pippin, T. B. Cain.

Correspondence—Geo. Davis, R. A. Stovall, T. J. Lucas, W. S. Phillip, B. S. Whitsitt, T. M. Rooker, W. E. Berthe.

Orphans Home—Elder H. Y. Morris, J. D. Bolton, E. J. Swain, H. A. Reevely, J. McCuin, R. M. Foulks.

Nominations—J. J. Doyne, Eld. J. G. Doyle, W. J. Beard, O. C. Carroll, W. F. Mosely, A. M. Kirkpatrick.

Finance—Geo. Scruggs, J. J. Crow, O. S. Russ, T. F. Ragsdale, W. E. Corder.

Sermon at School House by Elder W. S. Roney. Text, 1st Cor. 6-20.

Adjourned with prayer to meet at 8:30 Monday morning.

### MONDAY MORNING SESSION.

Prayers led by Bros. M. T. Webb and T. W. O'Kelly. Association called to order by Moderator.

Minutes of preceding meetings read and approved. Letter from Caney Creek church received; Bro. J. J. Boyd messenger.

Bro. R. F. Routh announced as corresponding messenger from Grand Prairie Association.

Report of Board for Ministerial Education made as follows:

# Financial Statement. Board on Ministerial Education.

1901.									
Oct.	12	To	Am't	rec'd	from	Treas.	of	Association,	\$ 54 20
Nov.	7	"	"	"	"	Cabot	Ladies	Aid,	2 00
1902.									
Feb.	11	"	"	"	"	Lonoke	church,		19 50
Mar.	26	"	"	"	"	Beebe	church,		2 25
1901									
Oct.	11	By	balance	due	Board	last	Ass'n.		\$ 75 18
Oct.	12	"	interest	on	Bransford	note			1 50
Nov.	7	"	cash	paid	Eld.	W. A.	Crutchfield		2 00
1902									
Jan.	20	"	"	"	"	"	"		25 00
Feb.	11	"	"	"	"	"	"		92 00
Mar.	26	"	"	"	"	"	"		2 25
May	15	"	"	"	"	"	"		100 00
		To	balance						\$219 98
									\$297 93
									\$297 93

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Oct. 11 by balance due Board \$219 98

Of the amount due the Board there is \$75 drawing 10 percent. interest from Feb. 11, 1902, and \$100 drawing 10 per cent. interest from May 15, 1902, which amounts it was necessary for the Board to borrow to meet the necessities of the Association's beneficiary, Bro. W. A. Crutchfield. Respectfully submitted,

H. T. BRADFORD, W. P. FLETCHER,  
W. Y. BRANSFORD.

Pledges were made by churches to pay balance due board as follows:

Antioch, col	\$	Judsonia	\$ 5 00
W. F. Gibson, Cash	5 00	Liberty	5 00
Austin Station, col		Lonoke	20 00
Augusta, col		McRae, col	
Beebe	5 00	Mt. Pleasant, H. H. Melton	2 50
Bayou Meto, col		Mt. Zion, col	
Baugh's Chapel, col		New Hope, col	
Cabot	5 00	Oak Grove, col	
Caney Creek	2 50	Pleasant Hill, col	
Carlisle, col		Rose Bud, col	
Center Hill, col		Searcy	15 00
England,	5 00	Second Little Rock	25 00
El Paso, col		Sharon, col	
First Argenta, col		Sherrill, col	
Greenwood, col		Walnut Plains, col	
Griffithville	5 00	Wattensas	2 50
Higginson, col		Surrounded Hill, col	
Hickory Plains, col		Zion Hill, col	
Immanuel, col. Geo. Davis	5 00		

Total \$107.50 to be paid during next associational year, and collections to be taken. Report adopted.

Report of Board on aid to Superannuated Ministers read and adopted as follows:



# Report of W. F. Gibson, Treasurer of Superannuated Ministers Board.

	Dr.	Cr.
1901		
To balance on hand last Association	\$24 71	
Oct. 14 to amt. received at " "	5 55	
" 17 to check received of J. F. Walker	25 76	
" 25 to cost of Liberty church	2 15	
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	\$58 17	

1901		
Oct. 17 by cash paid T. J. Young		\$40 34
Sept. 29 by bill clothing of S. M. Hall & Co. for Bro. Sawyer		17 80
Sept. 29 by cash paid express on clothing to Beebe		25
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		\$58 39
		58 17

Oct. 6 balance due Board 22

A motion carried to increase Board to 4 members, one of whom to reside at Beebe. A cash collection amounting to \$26 was taken and placed with Board to be used for Bro. Sawyer.

Treasurer's report read and adopted as follows:

## Financial Statement, 1902.

	Dr.	Cr.
Received from Association	\$469 90	
Watensas Church	5 00	
Minute Fund	75	
Collection for Sup. Ministers	5 55	
Received for Advertisements	6 00	
Oct. 14 W A Crutchfield		\$ 87 64
" 14 H T Bradford		54 20
" 14 T J Young		5 55
T J Young		25 76
M E McBride Clerk		15 00
Dec. 6 J G Doyle		11 50
Jan. 20 W E Harlan		52 00
Mar. 8 Orphan Home		6 75
Stamps on Minutes		8 00
Apr. 21 A J Barton for State Missions		58 80
Apr. 21 Home Missions		6 75
Apr. 21 Foreign Missions		4 00
Balance on hand		151 19
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	\$487 20	\$487 20

Respt. submitted,

J. T. WALKER, Treasurer.

Unanimous consent was given for the regular order to be suspended and report from committee on nominations be heard, which was read and adopted as follows. Your Committee on Nominations respectfully submits the following report:

We recommend that the next meeting of the Caroline Baptist Association be held with the Lonoke Baptist Church, on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1903, beginning at 10 o'clock and that Bro. W. A. Crutchfield be selected to preach the Introductory Sermon, with Bro. J. M. Davis as alternate. That Bro. T. W. O'Kelly be selected to preach the Missionary sermon with Bro. R. A. Mahan as alternate.

We recommend for members of the Associational Board, W. P. Fletcher, W. Y. Bransford and R. P. Bain.

For Board of Superannuated Ministers, W. F. Gibson, T. J. Young, W. B. Howell, W. B. Walker.

For Ministerial Education, W. P. Fletcher, W. Y. Bransford, H. T. Bradford.

J. J. DOYNE,  
A. M. KIRKPATRICK,  
W. F. MOSELY,

J. G. DOYLE,  
O. C. CARROLL,  
W. J. BEARD,  
Committee.

With amendment offered by Bro. W. P. Fletcher, that Bro. J. P. Eagle be sent as representative of this Association, to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Brother Ben Cox, Missionary Secretary, being present, was invited by the Moderator to a seat in our body. Prayer by Bro. T. W. O'Kelley.

Report of committee on State Missions read by Bro. W. A. Crutchfield. Substitute offered by Bro. J. P. Eagle and discussed. Motion carried to adjourn 'til 1 o'clock p. m. Prayer by Elder Ben Cox.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Elder W. S. Roney. Association called to order by Moderator. Elder J. P. Eagle offered amendment to substitute, for Mission report, which was accepted as part of the substitute. Discussion proceeded. Motion for previous question lost. Motion to withdraw both, report and substitute, carried unanimously, and the following resolution offered by Bro. W. P. Fletcher adopted:

#### State Missions.

Whereas there is a necessity for State Missions being conducted and the gospel as presented by Baptist be.



spread in Arkansas, and whereas there is a wide difference of opinion as to how methods should be applied, and whereas the contending forces are largely represented within the bounds of this association. Therefore be it resolved that we recommend that the State Convention and General Association appoint a conference committee of twenty, each of representative Baptist to meet at some time by them appointed, with the view of harmonizing and coming together in our state work.

Report from committee on Home Missions read and tabled.

Committee on Foreign Missions made following report, which was adopted:

#### **Report on Foreign Missions.**

Whoever believes and obeys the great commission of our risen Lord, is a foreign missionary in faith and practice. When Christ said, "go ye into all the world", he meant every continent of earth and every island of the sea. Foreign Missions simply means the preaching of the gospel in countries other than our own. In a body of Missionary Baptists it should be unnecessary to make an argument on this great subject. The very reason for our existence lies in the fact that we believe in preaching the gospel to every creature. Since the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845 our work in foreign fields has been carried on through the agency of the Foreign Mission Board located at Richmond, Va. The members of this Board are elected by the Southern Baptist Convention to which an annual report is made. From the report for the conventional year, ending April 30, 1902, we glean some encouraging and inspiring facts. There were 1439 baptisms. If there is joy in Heaven over one sinner that repenteth, what a shout should go up from Southern Baptists over the hundreds who have been saved from heathenism through the blessing of God on the labors of our missionaries. Our total contributions for last conventional year were \$173,439.49. Of this amount Arkansas gave \$2,656.56. Twenty new missionaries were sent out last year; and at the time of the convention six others were under appointment. The



increase in contributions and in the number of baptisms is encouraging, and the ever growing number of our best young men and women who are volunteering for this service is positively thrilling. Your committee recommend that every church endeavor to obtain a contribution from every one of its members for world wide evangelization, and above all that, we pray for the missionaries that they may preach the gospel in the power of the Holy Ghost sent down from Heaven.

T. W. O'KELLEY,

R. J. WINN,

H. F. POE,

W. H. HUNTER,

G. W. NORMAN,

J. J. BOYD.

Committee on Schools and Colleges made report, which was adopted as follows:

### Schools and Colleges.

We your committee on Schools and Colleges beg leave to report:

The time was in the history of our denominational schools in Arkansas that it was necessary in order that our children might receive advanced educational training, that they be sent to the schools and colleges in other states. We are glad indeed to report that for some time this has been no longer necessary. Ouachita under the able management of Prof. J. W. Conger and Central College under the direction of Prof. W. W. Rivers, have so entrenched themselves in the good will of the people, and have proved themselves so worthy of the support and patronage of our denomination, that we feel safe in urging upon the Association their claims. We therefore recommend that the Association endorse these schools and the Academies under their control, and that each member here do all in his power to contribute to their further efficiency by contribution when such may be absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the high standard attained, and by patronizing the same, if we have children to send to them and encouraging our friends and neighbors to do likewise.

W. S. RONEY, Chm.,

GEO. W. THOMASON,

J. N. BRUMLOW,

WILL HALSAR,

I. R. B. DAVIS,

W. E. ATKINSON.

Committee on Ministerial Education made the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee on Ministerial education reports as follows:

We believe that God calls and qualifies men for the ministry, but he qualifies through the use of means. It is the duty of the man so called to use the best means possible to qualify himself for the greatest of all works, the work of the ministry.

Therefore we recommend that our ministers study the word of God and such other helps as will be useful to them in preparation for the great work of the ministry. Furthermore we recommend Ouachita College as the the school in every way capable of giving the most thorough training to our young ministers. We now have about 20 young ministers in Ouachita College striving to attain to full grown manhood in the ministry. We learn about 75 more could be placed there if we only had the means.

Therefore we recommend that each pastor in this association urge upon his churches the importance of helping those God called men to qualify themselves for this great work.

A. C. MILLER, Chm.,	J. O. GRANBERRY,
T. H. BEARD,	J. F. HAMMETT,
R. H. WHITE.	

Motion to amend report so as to recommend that contributions be made through Board for ministerial education.

Report of committee on Temperance read and adopted as follows:

#### **Temperance.**

We your Committee would submit the following report: Recognizing the hurtful and destructive influences of intemperance in our state—disqualifying our young men for business stations in life, morally disqualifying them for husbands for our fair daughters and wrecking the many noble ones who are members of our churches; also the great effort made by the saloon powers to invade our land with its debauchery.

We would advise our churches to awake to the greatness of the situation; that our preachers educate



our people and stir them up to more firmly stand by our temperance cause.

2nd. That the church use strict discipline in dealing with the intemperate.

3rd. That we believe that each one should vote at the ballot box as he would pray.

4th. Also believing that the Anti Saloon League of this state is a great factor in helping to suppress this great evil, we would urge our people as far as consistent with their convictions of right, to give their encouragement to their work, by their money, talent and influence.

Yours Respectfully,

B. N. BROOKS, Chm.,

J. D. BIRDSONG,

G. E. OVERTON,

J. F. WALKER,

E. N. DAVIS.

Committee on Obituaries submitted the following report, which was adopted.

We your committee on Obituaries beg to submit the following report:

We rejoice to say we are unable to hear of the decease of any Bro. Minister in the bounds of the Association in the past year.

Respectfully,

J. P. EAGLE,

N. D. SANDERS,

G. R. CRAVEN,

M. G. APPLE,

NAT GULLIC,

J. T. BOGARD,

C. B. WEST,

Com.

Cash contribution amounting to \$38.00 was made to place tombstone on the graves of Bro. and Sister Moses Green at Beebe.

Committee on Woman's Work made report, which was adopted, as follows:

We your committee on Woman's Work beg leave to report:

We feel much encouraged over the growing interest manifest in the field of labor and are hopeful of a greater work still for the next associational year.

The fact remains, however, that many of our churches have as yet no organization among their women for systematic effort along this line. We, therefore respectively recommend that the pastors of the various churches in our bounds take prompt and



active measures looking to the organization of Ladies Aid and Missionary Societies among the sisters of their membership, and that each sister here feel obligated to do her part in furthering this great work.

We further recommend that the societies now in existence and all others that may be organized endeavor to secure contributions for aiding in the support of our missionary and other enterprises, and do all in their power to promote the interest of our great work in the state.

We learn with deep regret of the continued illness of our beloved president and Sister J. P. Eagle, and take this method of expressing our deepest concern in her welfare, and our prayers are that her health may be restored, and she be allowed to continue her labors of love among us.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. J. DOYNE,	MRS. C. E. WITT,
MRS. J. F. HAMMETT,	MRS. W. E. BERTHE,
MRS. ELLA NORTON,	EFFIE WALKER,
MRS. ODER BEARD,	ELLA A. FLETCHER,
LEILA M. HARDY,	MARY PRYOR,
MRS. FLORENCE WESTBROOK,	MRS. FANNIE SANDERS.

After hearing the report, the Association made special prayer for the early recovery of Sister Jas. P. Eagle.

Committee on Literature reported as follows, which was adopted.

Your committee on Literature report as follow:

1. We recommend the careful and prayerful study of the Bible.
2. We recommend Baptist Literature for Sunday School work Convention Series and American Baptist Publication Society.
3. That every family take, pay for and read a good sound Baptist paper.

Respectfully submitted,

R. P. BAIN,	T. A. OWENS,
G. L. MITCHEL,	T. P. CORPIER,
T. B. CAIN.	

The following report from committee on Correspondence was adopted.

We your Committee on Correspondence beg leave to submit the following report:

We appoint as Messengers to Pine Bluff Association J. P. Eagle, R. P. Bain.

To Green Brier Association J. M. Davis, J. H. Duffie.

To Grand Prairie Association M. T. Webb, R. P. Bain, W. P. Fletcher.

Little Red River Association W. A. Crutchfield, Ben M. Bogard.

Respectfully submitted,

R. N. FOULKS, Green Brier,	GEO. H. DAVIS, Chm.
J. T. LUCUS,	W. S. PHILLIPS,
J. T. ROOKER,	R. A. STOVALL,
B. S. WHITSITT,	W. E. BERTHE.

Report of committee on Orphan's Home was made and adopted as follows:

#### Orphans Home.

We your committee find that the Baptist Orphans Home located at Monticello is in a very prosperous condition. We recommend that every church in Caroline Association most liberally contribute to the support of this great and grand denominational enterprise. We feel that this Home is worthy in every sense of Baptist patronage. The large and commodious brick building is complete with all the modern improvements. We now have 52 inmates in the Home.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Y. MORRIS, Chm.,	J. D. BOLTON,
J. SWAIN,	H. A. BUSBY,
E. J. MCCUIN,	R. M. FOULKS,

The Finance committee made the following report which was adopted.

We your committee on Finance beg leave report as follows:

Minute Fund	\$ 60 05
Associational Mis.	293 90
State Missions	15 75
Home Missions	10 00
Foreign Missions	12 10
Ministerial Education	18 00
Superannuated Min.	35 30

Orphans Home	2 00
Received from Bro. Walker former Treas.	151 10
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	\$598 20
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Amount on hand	\$595 05
GEO. W. SCRUGGS,	J. J. CROW,
W. E. CORDER,	O. S. RUSS.

The following Resolutions were offered and adopted:

### Resolutions.

Resolved, that we extend our hearty thanks to Oak Grove Church and community for their hospitality in entertaining the Association.

Resolved, that our clerk be instructed to have printed fifteen hundred copies of the Minutes and distributed among the churches according to their needs, and that he be instructed to retain \$15 for his services.

Resolved, that we extend our thanks to Bro. W. P. Fletcher for his eminent fairness which he has manifested in all his rulings as Moderator and that our Clerk be thanked for his faithfulness in keeping the minutes.

Resolved, that after paying our missionary indebtedness that out of the funds in hand of the treasury the sum of \$219.98 or so much as will be necessary and interest be paid the Board on ministerial education in liquidation of the debt due them and that all funds paid on ministerial education during the present associational year to reimburse the mission fund.

JAMES P. EAGLE.

Prayer by Elder Frank White. After "taking the parting hand" the Association was declared adjourned, to meet with the Lonoke Baptist Church at Lonoke, Lonoke Co., Sat. before the 2nd Sunday in Oct., 1903.

W. P. FLETCHER, Moderator.

M. E. McBRIDE, Clerk.



# CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	PASTORS	POST OFFICES	CLERK	POST OFFICE	Sunday of Meeting
Antioch	R G Laugherty	Heber	B F Jones	Antioch	
Austin	J M Davis	Austin	J C Birmingham	Austin	2nd
Austin Sta.	S P Davis	Little Rock	D C Blankinship	Austin	3rd
Augusta	M T Webb	Beebe	L B Winfree	Augusta	
Bald Knob			J S M Beaver	Bald Knob	
Baker's Bayou			H J Applewhite	Lonoke	3rd
Baugh's Chapel	Jno McKinney		S W Brockinton	Ward	1st
Bayou-Meto	R P Bain	Lonoke	H G Legate	Lonoke	1st and 3rd
Beebe	W A Crutchfield	Searcy	J F Bass	Beebe	2nd
Belcher	J W Clark	Griffithville	Emma Harris		
Cabot	M T Webb	Beebe	J W Lowman	Cabot	
Caney Creek	J P Eagle	Little Rock	A W Fry	Titus	
Carlisle	H Y Morris	Carlisle	A H Bacus	Carlisle	
Centre Hill	W A Crutchfield	Searcy	W F Bogart	Center Hill	
Davis Chapel	J M Davis	Austin	C M Granbery	Lecont	1st
England	A C Miller	England	T J Hudson	England	
El Paso	J G Doyle	Little Rock	Allen White	El Paso	4th
1st Argenta	B N Brooks	Argenta	T W Cotton	Argenta	
Friendship	R H Granbery	Lecont	D Granbery	Lecont	2nd
Greenwood	R F Routh	Hazen	I J Short	Butlerville	
Griffithville	R H White	Griffithville	B Grissom	Griffithville	1st
Higginson	F P Davis	Little Rock	CH Beard	Higginson	
Hickory Plains	R F Routh	Hazen	J W Caskey	Hickory Plains	
Immanuel	W S Roney	Little Rock	T H Briggs	Little Rock	Every
Judsonia	R A Mahan	Judsonia	Rose Shenstone	Judsonia	
Jacksonville	L R Corder	Jacksonville	C M Berton	Lecont	1st and 3rd
Kensett	W H Stringfellow	Searcy	Ella Whitney	Kensett	
Kellog Valley			J E Overton	Levy	
Land Mark			J O Watson	Lonoke	2nd

Keo			C Smith		
Liberty			M E McBride	Walker	3rd
Lonoke	R P Bain	Lonoke	R S Boyd	Lonoke	Every
McRae	R J Laugherty	Heber	J D Birdsong	McRae	2nd
Mt. Pleasant			H H Melton	Cabot	
Mt. Zion	Jno McKinney	Krupp	E L Walker	Beebe	
New Hope	Jno McKinney	Krupp	H C Thompson	Watensas	
Oak Grove	J M Davis	Austin	J H Duffey	Krupp	
Pecan Grove			G W Scruggs	Lonoke	
Pleasant Hill	J M Davis	Austin	T P Carroll	Parnell	
Plum Bayou			J S Venable	Keo	1st and 4th
Rose Bud	J A Yarbrough	Rose Bud	A B Welch	Turnip	2nd
Royal Hill	W Cazort		F C White	El Paso	3rd
Searcy	B M Bogard	Searcy	J A Ford	Searcy	Every
Second Little Rock	T W O'Kelly	Little Rock	M J Baker	Little Rock	Every
Sharon	E W Roberts	Vilona	E N Davis	Austin	
Shiloh			W M Fuller	Brundidge	4th
Surrounded Hill	R M Best	Hazen	W F Moseley	Des Arc	1st
Tomberlin	S P Davis	Little Rock	Jas Seeth	Tomberlin	1st
Walnut Plains	R F Routh	Hazen	T W Hickney	Need More	
Wattensas	Jno McKinney	Krupp	W H Maron	Wattensas	4th
West Point			Jake Garetson	West Point	
Zion Hill	Jno McKinney	Krupp	W E Douglass	Warsaw	

### ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bain, R. P., Lonoke.  
 Barton, A. J., Little Rock.  
 Bogard, B. M., Searcy.  
 Breedon, C. S., Little Rock.  
 Brooks, B. N., Argenta.  
 Clark, J. W., Griffithville.  
 Corder, L. R., Jacksonville.  
 Craven, J. R., Antioch.  
 Crutchfield, W. A., Searcy.  
 Dale, W. L., Little Rock.  
 Davis, F. P., "  
 Davis, J. M., Austin.  
 Doyle, J. G., Argenta.

Dykes, S. E., Little Rock.  
 Eagle, Jas. P., Little Rock.  
 Gammell, J. H., Beebe.  
 Goodman, G. W., Antioch.  
 Granbery, R. H., Lecont.  
 Kime, W. P., Judsonia.  
 Kirkland, M. F., Little Rock.  
 Landreth, T. F., Little Rock.  
 Linder, Robt., Beebe.  
 Lucardo, R. P., Little Rock.  
 Mahan, R. A., Judsonia.  
 McKinney, Jno., Krupp.  
 Middleton, R. T., Griffithville.

Miller, A. C., England..  
 Norman, G. W., Joy.  
 O'Kelley, T. W., Little Rock.  
 Pruitt, J. B., "  
 Roney, W. S., "  
 Sawyer, J. J., Beebe.  
 Smith, C. E., Ogbomoso, West Africa.  
 Stringfellow, W. H., Searcy.  
 Thomason, G. W., Lonoke.  
 Webb, M. T., Beebe.  
 White, R. H., Griffithville.  
 White, Frank, Little Rock.  
 Yarbrough, J. A., Rose Bud.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Churches	Superintendents	Postoffices	No. of Officers	No. of Teachers	No. Enrolled	A. V. Attendance	Sunday School Expense and Cost of Literature
Antioch	B F Jones	Antioch	5	60			\$
Austin	Nora Robinson	Austin	2	3	35		
Austin Sta.	T J Young	Austin	3	3	90	43	18 00
Augusta	J Haralson	Augusta	5	75			52 27
Bald Knob	W M Owens	Bald Knob	4		25		
Baugh's Chapel	H A Reevely	Austin	3	4	45	25	3 50
Beebe	T Z Warren	Beebe	4	6	40		
Cabot	M W Bodie	Cabot	4	50			12 00
Carlisle	B D Muzzy	Carlisle	5	84			38 00
Center Hill							4 76
Davis Chapel	C M Granbery	Lecont	2	2			80
England	J M Crow	England		6	44		22 50
El Paso	J A Mills	El Paso	5	6	75	37	13 60
First Argenta	A M Lee	Argenta		6	125		34 13
Friendship	C N Granbery	Lecont	2	4	52	25	3 00
Greenwood	M C Bennett	Butlerville		5	40		
Griffithville	I J Whitsitt	Griffithville		5	60	45	
Hickory Plains	J W Caskey	Hickory Pls		3	45		
Immanuel	W E Berthe	Little Rock	6	18	265	147	44 00
Judsonia	F G Briggs	Judsonia	4	12	194		54 93
Jacksonville	W A Garret	Lecont	2	3			1 25
Kensett	W F Coleman	Kensett		4	30		9 00
Liberty	M E McBride	Walker	3	4			15 00
Lonoke	W P Fletcher, Jr	Lonoke	2	7	100	60	25 00
Mt. Zion	C H Linder	Beebe		6	35		
Oak Grove	W B Howell	Krupp	3	8	90	75	16 00
Pecan Grove	J D Cobb	Cobbs	3	4	41		
Pleasant Hill	T P Carroll	Parnell		3	45		4 25
Plum Bayou	W W Wilder	England	4	4	56		3 00
Rose Bud	J V Foreman	Rose Bud	2	3	45	33	5 00
Searcy	J A Kimbrough	Searcy	3	10	113	60	
Sec. Little Rock	C E Taylor	Little Rock		20	225		30 00
Shiloh	W M Fuller	Brundidge	1	4	25		1 89
Surrounded Hill	Arthur Graham	Des Arc	2	3	59	26	
Tomberlin	J Harrison	Tomberlin	2	4	65	45	5 00



## MINUTES OF THE CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the "Caroline Baptist Association," and shall be composed of Baptist Churches representing themselves by accredited Messengers. Its object shall be to provide missions, education and Sunday Schools.

Art. 2. Every church belonging to this Association shall be entitled to three Messengers, and every church having over one hundred members shall be entitled to an additional Messenger for each additional fifty members over one hundred.

Art. 3. The session of this Association shall be annual, at such time and place as shall be appointed by the body.

Art. 4. Any Baptist Church of the same faith and practice may be admitted as a member of this Association, upon expressing a desire, through Messenger and letters, to work in fellowship with us.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot at each annual session, and continue in office until their successors are elected. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

Art. 6. This Association has no power to control or in any way interfere with the independence or rights of the Churches, but may advise, when asked by a Church through its letter to the Association, and it may withdraw its fellowship from any Church known to walk disorderly.

Art. 7. This Association may correspond by letter and Messenger with other representative bodies of our denomination.

Art. 8. In the absence of any officer of this Association his place shall be filled pro tempore, by viva voce election.

Art. 9. The Association may, from time to time, adopt such rules and bylaws for its government as may be expedient, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

Art. 10. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session by the vote of two thirds of the Messengers present in favor of the proposed amendment.

Amendment No. 1. This Association may provide means to aid in the support of their aged, infirm, needy and superannuated ministers who have devoted their lives to the ministry, and who have been engaged in their last regular ministerial work for at least one year within the bounds of the Association. The Association may appoint a Board and adopt such bylaws and regulations as will be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this amendment.

## BY-LAWS.

### For Direction of the Board on Aid to Superannuated Ministers.

SECTION 1. The Association shall appoint a Board on Aid to Superannuated Ministers, consisting of three members, which board shall be located in or near the same locality. Said board shall hold office from the time of appointment until the annual session of the Association. Should a vacancy occur on said board the majority may select a member of any Missionary Baptist Church, a member of this Association in good standing, to fill such vacancy. The board shall organize once a year by electing a president, secretary and treasurer. Said board shall provide such stationery as will be necessary for their use as a board and any other necessary expenses that may be incurred in carrying on the work intrusted to them,

and shall be paid out of the funds in their hands; and shall be required to make a report to the Association each year of all moneys received and disbursed.

Sec. 2. The board provided for in Section 1 of these bylaws may raise means through the churches of this Association, or raise contributions from other sources and in such manner as will be legitimate. They may purchase lands, make improvements under direction of this Association. The title to such lands shall be made to the Moderator of the Association and his successors in office.

Sec. 3. The Association shall at its annual meeting decide who shall be placed upon the list of Superannuated Ministers and direct what amount of aid shall be furnished by the board, and decide whether or not such beneficiary can labor in the ministry, and, if so, to what extent. Provided, that if some minister, within the bounds of Caroline Association, who may come under the provisions of the constitution of this Association, may from continued sickness of himself or his family, or for other good and sufficient causes, become a charge upon the community in which he may at the time reside, the board may render such aid to such ministers as the circumstances may require or their ability will admit of. Provided, further, that for good and sufficient cause the board may discontinue their aid to such ministers and report their action to the Association at its next session.

Sec. 4. The board provided for in Section 1 of these bylaws shall in all cases, where it is possible, work in harmony with the mission board of this Association in supplying and giving work to such infirm or superannuated ministers as they find such ministers are capable of performing. And in no case will this board be permitted to make pledges beyond their financial ability as such board, nor shall they involve the Association in debt.

Sec. 5. The Board on Ministerial Education shall aid such ministers as are adopted by the Association for education to the extent of the funds in their hands. Loans shall be made to such ministers, and their individual notes taken to the President of the board of education and his successors in office, with interest at 6 per cent from due until paid. The board shall not loan more than sufficient funds to meet the actual needs of such beneficiaries and not more than will be necessary for five months at any one time. They shall divide the funds in their hands in equal proportions as the demands of the beneficiaries may require. And the board shall provide such stationery and printed matter as will be required to carry out the requirements of the Association.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

Abridged from Pendleton's Church Manual.

1. We believe that the Holy Bible, written by men, divinely inspired, and full of unmixed truth, is a perfect rule of faith and practice. 2. Tim. 3:16.

2. We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Gen. 1:26. 2 Cor. 13:14.

3. We believe that man, once holy, fell by voluntary transgression, from that happy state, and is now utterly void of holiness. Gen. 1:26. 3:17.

4. We believe that sinners are saved by grace alone. Eph. 2:8-9.

5. We believe that men are justified by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Gal. 3:6-29.

6. We believe that salvation is free to all who will accept the Gospel. Isa. 55:1, John 7:37, Rev. 21:6, Rev. 22:17.



7. We believe that, except a man be renewed by the Holy Spirit, he is not qualified or prepared for the Kingdom of Christ on earth, or to enjoy his glory hereafter. John 3:3-8.

8. We believe that repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are duties of every one who hears the Gospel. Mat. 3:2, Acts 18:31.

9. We believe that election is the eternal purpose of God, by which He graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners. Rom. 8:30.

10. We believe that sanctification, begun in regeneration, and ever progressive, is the process by which we are made to partake of God's holiness. John 3:6, 2 Thes. 2:12.

11. We believe in the preservation of the saints, that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. 1 Peter, 1:5.

12. We believe that God's law is the only, the eternal and unchangeable rule of His Church and moral government. 2 Tim. 3:16-17.

13. We believe that a Church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, united in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel, observing the ordinance and obeying the laws of Christ, and that its officers are pastors and deacons. Acts 2:41-47, 1 Tim. 3:2-8.

14. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, by a properly qualified administrator, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Matt. 28:19, Mark 16:16, Romans 6:3-4.

15. We believe that only such as have been properly baptized and received into the fellowship of a regularly organized Baptist church should partake of the Lord's Supper. Matt. 26:26-27, 1 Cor. 11:20-23.

16. We believe that the Lord's day or Christian Sabbath should be devoutly observed, and sacredly devoted to religious services. Mark 16:9, Acts 20:7. 1 Cor. 16:1-2, Heb. 10:25.

17. We believe that civil government is of divine appointment, and that the governors of states and nation should be obeyed, when the laws they seek to enforce do not conflict with the Gospel.

18. We believe in the future resurrection of the dead. Dan. 12:2-1, 1 Thes. 4:16.

19. We believe in final judgment; and that, in that day, the righteous and wicked will be separated forever. Acts 17:31, Matt. 25:32-33.

20. We believe that the righteous will be happy forever in heaven, and the wicked miserable forever in hell. Matt. 25:34-46.

Thanking God for the light we have received, and for the revelation of Jesus which we now enjoy, and hoping that God, for Christ's sake, has pardoned our sins, and having been baptized on a profession of our faith in Christ Jesus into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we do, this day, before God and the world, and with deep joy and great solemnity, enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We therefore covenant and agree, that, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, we will walk together in love and Christian fellowship. We promise to labor for the advancement and final triumph of the Church; to sustain her worship by attending the house of God and supporting the ministry; to guard her ordinances, enforce her discipline, and defend her doctrine.

We also pledge ourselves to walk circumspectly in the world; to be honest, just and faithful in our business relations; and, as God may give us help, we promise to live righteous and holy lives.



We further promise to watch over each other in brotherly love; to visit the sick; to pray for each other and the world; to aid the poor and needy, and to perform such other kind offices as may be well pleasing in the sight of God.

### RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The daily session of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

2. All exceptions to the decision of the Moderator shall be by appeal to the body, whose decision as expressed by a majority of the vote, viva voce given, shall be final.

3. In case of a tie vote, the Moderator shall give the casting vote, and he shall not be allowed to vote in any other case.

4. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speaking as other members, but when rising to speak shall call some other member to the chair.

5. No member shall speak but once on the same subject, more than twenty minutes at a time, except by leave of the Association, provided the mover shall have the privilege of opening and closing the debate on his motion or resolution.

6. But one member shall speak at a time, and if more than one rise to speak at the same time the Moderator shall decide who is entitled to the floor.

7. Any member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, and in speaking shall confine himself to the subject under discussion, and no one shall use any disrespectful or discourteous language, calculated to wound the feelings of any member, or to disturb the harmony of the body, and the appellation of "Brother" shall be used in every reference to a member of the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall absent himself without leave of the chair, and the chair shall grant no such leave except for reasonable cause.

9. It shall be the duty of the clerk to make and present faithful records of the proceedings of the Association, and to procure and supervise the printing and distribution of the same among the churches.

10. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys accruing to the Association, to pay out the same upon the order of the Clerk, or, if Home Mission fund, upon the order of the Secretary of Home Missions, and to report his receipts and disbursements. But the Clerk shall draw no order upon the Treasurer except for appropriations previously made by the Association.

11. Committees shall be appointed by the chair, unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the session by devotional exercises and preaching of Introductory Sermon.

2. Reading letters and enrolling names of Messengers.

3. Election of officers.

4. Call for petitionary letters.

5. Appointment of Committee on Religious Exercises; which committee will be allowed to report at any time.

6. Enrollment of names of Corresponding Messengers from other bodies.

7. Enrolling names of visitors.

8. Appointment of Committees: 1. Associational Missions. 2. State Missions. 3. Home Missions. 4. Foreign Missions. 5. Colleges and Schools. 6. Ministerial Education. 7. Temperance. 8. Sunday Schools. 9. Obituaries. 10. Woman's Work. 11. Literature. 12. Correspondence. 13. Orphans' Home. 14. Nominations. 15. Finance.

9. Report of Associational Mission Board.

10. Report of Missionary.

11. Report of Board on Ministerial Education.

12. Report of Board on Aid to Superannuated Ministers.

13. Report of Treasurer.

14. Reports of Committees in order.

15. Miscellaneous business.

16. Resolutions.

17. Exercises of final adjournment.



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# STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter and Relation	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Mem-ber-ship	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Education	Superannuated Ministers	Sunday School Work	Woman's Work	Orphans Home	Incidentals	Repairs on Ch. and Building Fund	Pastors Salary	Miscellaneous	Total Contribution	Value of Church Property
Antioch	2	3	1				52	1 00												75 00		76 00	
Austin		2					44	1 00	5 00						16 00					80 00		102 00	500 00
Austin Station	8	7	2				28	1 00												13 00		14 00	1000 00
Augusta	5	7	3	1			82	2 00	6 00	10 00					57 27	5 00		117 54		200 00		397 81	3000 00
Bakers Bayou							17	50	2 75													3 25	
Bald Knob				1	1		31	1 00														1 00	
Beebe	7	5	15	1			106	1 50	5 00	5 20				9 90			2 00			200 00		223 60	1000 00
Boone Chapel																							
Bayou Meto	12	6	1	2	1		57	50	10 00											50 50		61 00	
Baugh's Chapel		1	1	2	1		51	1 00					1 00							32 95		34 95	
Belcher	2						6	75														75	
Cabot		3		2	1		66	1 50	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00					8 25	18 00		150 00		228 25	1000 00
Cauey Creek	3	6		2		3	101	1 00	15 00	5 00	5 00							21 40			29 75	76 15	600 00
Carlisle	5	5		1	1		51	1 25	5 35	7 50					38 00			23 00		107 00	26 00	208 10	1500 00
Center Hill	4	2	3	16	1	2	108	1 50	5 00	8 57					7 88		9 15			100 00	7 50	163 10	
Cypress Valley																							
Calvary																							
Des Arc							24	50	2 50													6 75	500 00
Davis Chapel	2	2																4 00				6 75	500 00
England	13	30	5	2		107	1 50	5 00	50 00	10 00	10 00	8 50			57 65	5 00	12 50	65 00	100 00	600 00	582 00	1507 15	1500 00
El Paso		1	16	3		174	1 50	10 00	5 00						13 60							30 10	600 00
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Friendship	2	1					50								3 00					25 00		33 50	500 00
Garner																							
Greenwood	4	1		5	9	1	74	1 00	1 60						3 10						5 00	10 70	350 00
Griffithville		11		3	1		53	1 00	5 00													6 00	
Higginson	9	11					50	1 00														1 00	
Hickory Plains	2	2		1			26	50	1 35													1 85	
Immanuel	25	48	1	25	10	7	376	2 00	5 00	7 00	55 05	65 70			41 00			334 70	784 27	850 00	124 60	2269 32	6000 00
Judsonia	38	12		6	2	1	249	1 50	22 00			15 75			59 93	34 00	10 00	105 17	16 00	475 00		737 85	3300 00
Jacksonville	17						43	1 00	3 00		1 00				1 25			187 03				193 28	300 00
Keo	6	5					16	1 00	14 10	11 65												26 75	500 00
Kensett	1			5			53	50	2 00	3 03	1 00		1 50		9 00	5 95		65	1 80	35 00	10 00	70 43	
Kellog Valley							7	50														2 50	
Landmark		1					11	50	8 12													8 62	
Liberty	1	5		8	3		103	2 00	7 86				25 00	2 15	16 50					100 00		153 51	100 00
Lonoke	1	4	25	5			230	5 00	45 00	25 00			20 00	10 00	25 00		10 00	156 97	53 50	600 00	7 09	957 56	5000 00
Lee Grove																							
Labelles Chapel																							
McRae					4	2	14	50	3 00									6 00				9 50	400 00
Mt. Olive																							
Mt. Pleasant																							
Mt. Vernon	6			4			42	1 00	2 00													3 00	
Mt. Zion	12	1	2				1 56	75	5 40	1 00											10 00	17 15	
New Hope	7			2	5		95	1 00	5 00	3 20												9 20	
Oak Grove	4	5		5	2		148	1 50	5 00						16 00			4 00		100 00		126 50	1000 00
Pecan Grove	5	2				2	107	1 50	20 00	11 00		2 10	2 5							75 00		121 00	1800 00
Pleasant Hill	7					1	127	1 00	10 00						4 25					100 00		115 25	750 00
Plum Bayou	26	4	7				37	1 00	10 75						3 00			6 00				20 75	
Rose Bud	2	6	1	5			90	1 00												100 00		102 20	
Royal Hill							28	75	1 00													1 75	
Searcy	1	17		16		9	230	2 00	28 65	25 00	25 00	38 75					22 50	264 12	3091 59	800 00		4297 61	10000 00
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Sharon		2					18	25	75													1 00	300 00
Surrounded Hill							19	50	28 00													28 50	
Shiloh	8	11	1	2			75	1 00	5 00													46 00	300 00
Tomberlin	9	4	1			1		50	5 00									5 00	15 00	100 00		137 50	600 00
Walnut Plains		3					72	1 00	5 00											50 00		56 00	500 00
Wattensas	5	1		3	1	3	73	75	5 00	2 00												7 75	
West Point							43	1 50		7 00												8 50	
Zion Hill	18	1	2	4	2	2	98	1 05	2 00	75										50 00	5 15	57 90	1000 00
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